



Re: Fee waiver denial

DeWitt County

to:

Group R5Foia, RafaelP Gonzalez

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From: DeWitt County <dewittco57@gmail.com>

To: Group R5Foia/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, RafaelP Gonzalez/R5/USEPA/US@MSO365,

In the interest of timely governmental transparency and the public's right to know rather than start a lengthy and unnecessary appeals process I'd like to withdraw the original FOIA and submit the below one. Since you are insisting on knowing specifically what I intend to do with the information I'll also add you and Mr. Gonzales to the notification list so you can tell it's actually being done once I start.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

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This is a Freedom of Information Act request for documents concerning several different landfill events limited by some of constraints:

- I only want documents concerning facilities in the following counties: Cass, Champaign, DeWitt, Ford, Iroquois, Logan, Macon, Mason, McLean, Menard, Piatt, Tazwell, Vermillion, and Woodford all in Illinois.
- I only want documents concerning landfills or closed landfills.
- I only want documents generated by US EPA or received by US EPA in the calendar month previous to the month this FOIA request is received by the US EPA.
- If the previous constraint does not eliminate any duplicates I do not want duplicates of any documents.
- I want only the first document generated or received on each event below which indicates to the general character of the event, the location, and the time frame.
- Also I want the entire document or if the document is over 25 pages the first 25 pages of the document.

I would like documents that fall into the following categories:

- Documents indicating that a new landfill facility or waste stream is being considered,

inquired about or proposed.

- Any application for a new facility or waste stream.
- Any new facility or waste stream permit granted.
- One document concerning the initial reporting of any violation, suspected violation, investigation of any violation, or explanation of any violation.
- Any unacceptable test result.
- One document concerning the conclusion of any such allegation, unacceptable test result, or investigation which includes the results and penalties for the incident.
- One concerning the closing of any facility or part of a facility.
- One document indicating any modification to any landfill handling hazardous waste.

Disclosure of this information is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of the government in that it will be disseminated to elected officials and the public to make them aware of the protections afforded the Mahomet Sole Source Aquifer and disclosure of the information is not in my commercial interest.

Specifically relevant to my "specific intent to disseminate the information to the general public" I intend to post the results on my website about landfill/DeWitt County business at www.dewittco.org in this document <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1sIQ82tinKXM-nCwLVcmvKDjOdwBDpHIBHFOYljlqk5k/edit?usp=sharing> (not on the site until I have more content). Also on initial posting and upon listing of any significant documents I will:

- Generate a press release to the media listed at www.wissmiller.org/media.
- Email list of 500 folks interested in landfill issues I have developed.
- Email all the county boards of any county over the aquifer - list ready and waiting.
- Email all board members of the multi-governmental Champaign City based coalition fighting the Clinton Landfill debacle - list waiting.
- Offer links to the document from at least 4 heavily trafficked environmental activist web sites.

I request electronic format - preferably .pdf files.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
George H. Wissmiller

On Mon, May 18, 2015 at 2:17 PM, r5foia@epa.gov <r5foia@epa.gov> wrote:

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